# **URBAN COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION (UCCC)**

Randy Autio, Chair Dede Feldman, Vice Chair



Albert Chavez, Member Tasia Young, Member Lorri Zumwalt, Member Jordy Stern, Member Terry Brunner, At-Large

Action Report – June 22, 2016

# 1. CALL TO ORDER AT 3:30 P.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Vincent C. Murphy	Deputy County Manager	Absent
Ken Martinez	County Attorney	Present
Vice Chair, Dede Feldman	BCC District 1 Representative	Present
Albert Chavez	BCC District 2 Representative	Absent
Tasia Young	BCC District 3 Representative	Absent
Lorri Zumwalt	BCC District 4 Representative	Present
Jordy Stern	BCC District 5 Representative	Present
Terry Brunner	BCC At-Large Representative	Absent
Chair, Randy Autio	BCC At-Large Representative	Present
GUESTS		
George Richmond	League of Women Voters	
Eric Schuler	Senior County Attorney	
Nancy Bearse	Presumptive Candidate for County Treasurer	

# 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE AGENDA NONE

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENT and CORRESPONDENCE

1. Nancy Bearse, Presumptive candidate for Treasurer. Ms. Bearse attended the UCCC meeting for the opportunity to introduce herself and her intentions to learn what the UCCC has in mind for language. Ms. Bearse is in the process of reviewing State Statutes that directly affect the Treasurer's Office. She hopes the UCCC works on careful language based on the recent history of events. The UCCC provided Ms. Bearse with a copy of the County's Investment Policy and Procedures.

#### 4. ELECTED OFFICIAL AND DIRECTOR BRIEFINGS

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 8th moved by D. Feldman and Seconded by R. Autio – Moved Unanimously

#### 6. ACTION ITEMS

**A.** Timing Issue for education of residents on the charter: UCCC Member, A. Chavez is very concerned that we are not putting out information on the Charter now. UCCC member concern that elected officials may not understand the charter and need to know how this charter will not affect their present standing. If they don't learn this, they may work against the successful election of the charter.

After discussion, the UCCC agreed that members can generally discuss the need for home rule which is directing the need for a Charter. Once the draft charter is presented to the BCC and the BCC approves the final Charter language, then the UCCC can promote the charter document. Additionally, the Communication Services staff will be tasked with creating a press release for the month of July, notifying the public that the charter language is being created for approval and placement on the 2016 General Election Ballot. The press release will contain information that explains the process and outcomes a charter can provide to citizens. The press release is to be placed on each Commissioner's home page along with an identifiable link to the UCCC home page.

**B.** Review of draft charter language for each elected official as presented by A. Chavez and T. Young. Changes include identifying the Sheriff's Department as the Sheriff's Office for continuity sake. Ken M. and Eric S. will be working on language to clarify the question of "full-time" status in regards to what "full-time" means such as: duties, number of hours, etc.

# 7. UCCC AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Randy discussed the report he is presenting to the BCC Tuesday 6/28. UCCC members were sent the report on June  $22^{nd}$ .

Meetings on 6<sup>th</sup>, 20 and 3<sup>rd</sup>. UCCC will get the document prior to the 6<sup>th</sup> to review. This will be a confidential draft sent by email for members to review in time for the meeting.

# 8. DISCUSSION DRAFT CHARTER SECTIONS

- **A.** Section 1 Preamble, Creation, Powers and Ordinances
- **B.** Section 5 Personnel
- **C.** Section 7 Elections: discussion around PACs and candidate rules.
- D. Other Charter Topics- UCCC will offer topics after draft as they feel the need.
  - 1. Franchise Fees -
  - 2. Independent Auditor Meaghan drafting language for discussion by UCCC
  - 3. Elected Official Duties

- **4.** Public Financing of Candidates:
- **5.** Elected Official Outside Employment Restrictions –NO because State has laws.
- **6.** Public Records and Document Security –
- 7. Educational Qualifications for County Manager and Elected Officials Do not add per UCCC.
- **8.** Procurement Pay Equity Not in Draft
- **9.** City-County Cooperation
- **10.** Audits –

UCCC held a discussion on the following topics. Better for an internal vs. an external auditor; will answering to elected board provide enough accountability? Is there enough work to warrant a full-time job? Audit should be concerned with two major areas: performance accountability and financial accountability. Meaghan was tasked with drafting two options for review by UCCC.

# 9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEXT URBAN COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION MEETING:

A. Wednesday, July 6, 2016 @ 3:30 PM - Human Resources Conference Room III - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor -One Civic Plaza

# 10. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING AT 5:00 P.M